

Administrators' Message

April 2026

Happy April! We hope this message finds you enjoying the signs of spring and the renewed sense of hope that comes with the Easter season.

We were blessed to celebrate a beautiful Easter liturgy hosted by our Grade 1 classes. It was a joyful and meaningful celebration of the Resurrection, and we are so proud of our youngest students for leading us in prayer. Students also had a wonderful time participating in our “Finding Jesus” activity throughout the school, bringing both fun and faith together in a memorable way.

Our school-wide Read-a-Thon is now underway! This important fundraiser helps support opportunities for all students by providing discounts on field trips such as Active Living experiences, gymnastics, and skiing, as well as contributing to items like our school t-shirts. We are incredibly grateful to our Parent Council for their ongoing dedication and organization of these initiatives. Thank you to all of our families for your continued support.

Living out our faith through service remains at the heart of what we do. Last month, our Grade 1 classes demonstrated compassion and generosity by collecting teddy bears for the Stollery. This month, our Grade 3 classes are leading a cereal box collection for the Food Bank. We are so proud of our students for embracing social justice and putting their faith into action in such meaningful ways.

Thank you for being such an important part of our St. Kateri community. May this Easter season continue to bring peace, joy, and hope to your families.

God bless,

Nicole Grossman
Principal

Christine Custódio
Assistant Principal



St. Kateri 2026 - 2027 Registration

This is an exciting time for sure with school registration now open. We are currently accepting registrations for new students for the 2026 - 2027 school year for all grades. Registrations for all schools in the Edmonton Catholic Division are completed online.

School Council Message

Hello St. Kateri Families,

Read-a-thon! If you haven't done so, register your child for their read account so they can rack up minutes read, win prizes and make your home a little quieter over the next couple weeks. Families are sending in pictures of students getting caught reading.

Over 20,000 minutes already logged.

Blind book sales were a hit raising over \$500 in just 1 night. Stay tuned for a book drive in the fall.

Next meeting is May 04th at 6:00 and is a Star Wars themed evening. May the Force be with you.

Stay tuned for volunteer appreciation evening and parent council elections in June.



Absences

Reporting a Student Absence

Edmonton Catholic Schools utilizes the SchoolMessenger SafeArrival system to simplify reporting absences for families. It is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and you can report your child's absence in advance using any of these options:

- **SchoolMessenger App** (iOS or Android)
- **PowerSchool** (click on the SchoolMessenger icon in the left hand menu)
- **Website:** go.schoolmessenger.ca
- **Phone:** 1-833-788-7662

Using SchoolMessenger is quick, convenient, and helps keep your school informed and your child safe. For full instructions and more information, visit ecsd.net/reportingabsences.

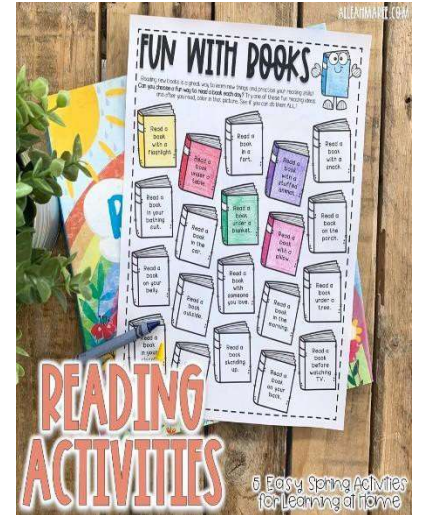


Blast-Off With Home Reading Program

Spring is a great time to get outdoors with a good book. A couple of great websites to explore are:



<https://www.seussville.com/>
<https://robertmunsch.com/>



Student Faith Leadership Award

The Board of Trustees is proud to celebrate students who enhance the Catholic identity of their school community through their actions and service. This leadership can be demonstrated in various ways, such as:

- Contributing to the school's celebration or prayer life,
- Leading social justice initiatives, or
- Witnessing their faith through class discussions or participation in faith-based co-curricular and extracurricular activities.

These students exemplify what it means to be excellent Catholic role models for their peers.

Congratulations to **Denica** in grade 6 who received this award!

School Fees

Thank you to everyone who has paid their school fees online. Please make a point of checking your Powerschool account monthly to ensure that you're caught up, especially with field trips that will be coming up prior to the end of the year. If you require assistance or have any questions, please contact the office at (780) 440-3322.

Staffing Updates

We are pleased to let our school community know that Mrs. Sassine will be continuing with us until the end of the school year in grade 1A and Mr. Rees will be continuing in grade 4B as well. We appreciate everyone's patience and flexibility as we have been working for consistency this school year.

Apple Healthy Eating Squad

Our Healthy Eating Squad has been busy all year delivering tasty/ healthy snacks for students since the start of the school year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their hard work and dedication to making us all just a little bit healthier. Their hard work has not gone unnoticed, from choosing healthy treats, sorting items into classroom bins and delivering them to all the different classrooms. It is also important to recognize all the grade 6 students who have volunteered to help with the meals that required extra support. THANK YOU!



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